



**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
Monday, November 7, 2011**

The Public Safety Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, November 7, 2011 at City Hall, 301 West 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Michael Lauderdale, called the Board Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Michael Lauderdale
Michael Levy
Kent Anschutz
Ramey Ko
Sam Holt
Kim Rossmo, (arrived at approximately 4:02 pm)

Board Members not in Attendance:

Moses Saldana, Sr.

1. Approval of Minutes

- a. The minutes for the regular meeting on 10/03/2011 were approved on Commissioner Levy's motion, Commissioner Anschutz's second on a 5-0 vote with Commissioners Saldana and Rossmo not present.

2. Citizen Communications

- a. Adrian Moore, Executive Director Council on At-Risk Youth, spoke on purpose of CARY and provided school age youth crime data.
- b. Clay Dafoe, citizen, spoke opposing advanced imaging technology at ABIA. Occupy Austin.
- c. Sylvia Benini, citizen, spoke on Occupy Austin thanking City Staff and Police.
- d. Barry Lewis, Downtown Austin Neighborhood Association (DANA) member, spoke on a feedback mechanism for the emergency call centers (911/311).
- e. Claire Hirschland, citizen, spoke opposing scanners at ABIA.

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- f. Heather Eberle, citizen, spoke on Occupy Austin reference the manner in which notices brought to the group by the City.
- g. Scott Johnson, citizen, spoke on enforcing text messaging while driving offenses, the unattended motor vehicles and heavy-duty diesel idling rule.
- h. Heather Fazio, citizen, spoke opposing body scanners at ABIA.

3. Discussion and Possible Action Items

- a. Unattended Motor Vehicle Ordinance resolution – APD Commander Wayne DeMoss, APD Sergeant Felecia Williams-Dennis, City Attorney David Douglas:
 - 1. PowerPoint presentation, and back up material archived
 - 2. A motion to table consideration of the resolution was made by Commissioner Levy, seconded by Commissioner Ko and approved by a 6 – 0 vote.
- b. Proposed amendments to the Public Safety Commission bylaws – Commission Chair Michael Lauderdale
 - 1. Back up material archived.
 - 2. A motion to approve the proposed changes to the bylaws was made Commissioner Levy, seconded by Commissioner Holt and approved by a 6 – 0 vote.
- c. 2012 meeting dates calendar for Public Safety Commission – Commission Chair Lauderdale
 - 1. Back up material archived.
 - 2. A motion to accept the calendar with the alternative holiday dates was made by Commissioner Rossmo, seconded by Commissioner Ko and approved on a 6 – 0 vote.

4. Briefings and Updates

- a. AFD resources regarding 360 corridor – AFD Chief of Staff Harry Evans
 - 1. Austin Fire Department awarded a grant for a Type 3 Fire Engine from the Texas Forest Service.
 - 2. Division of resources into four areas to include Public Education, Training the Work Force, Risk Reduction & Fire Prevention, and Operations.
 - 3. Staffing and number of stations within the 360 corridor.
- b. Pedestrian Enforcement Efforts – APD Highway Enforcement Lt Ely Reyes
 - 1. Pedestrian enforcement initiatives used in response to a significant increase in pedestrian related traffic fatalities.
 - 2. Utilize on duty Officers focusing on top crash locations for fatalities related to pedestrians, citations issued to both vehicles and pedestrians
 - 3. Citizen education through public safety announcements
- c. Occupy Austin update – APD Chief of Staff David Carter
 - 1. PowerPoint presentation and back up material archived.
 - 2. Commissioner KO recused himself from item.

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5. Possible Agenda Items for December Meeting

- a. AFD resources regarding 360 corridor – timeline briefing
- b. Resources and services from the three public safety groups related to mental health services for employee and retirees.
- c. Occupy Austin update

6. Adjournment

- a. Motion by Commissioner Holt, 2nd by Commissioner Rossmo.

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